



Blazing Trails for Progress

Curiosity may have killed the well-known cat, but it has been underneath most of the hard-won developments that lastingly benefit mankind. Once in a great while, perhaps, accident has been the spark that has lighted the torch of achievement; but much more frequently—always, nearly—accomplishment, especially in the field of science and invention, has grown out of the insatiable curiosity that seems to be the heritage of us all. Mankind wants to know—and is slowly finding out. Curiosity, the complement of imagination, knows no appeasement.

This is, however, no essay on the vague subject of idle curiosity. There is a vast difference between that and the organized, untiring, well-planned activity which, as an integral part of Westinghouse organization, searches continually for the answers to problems which intelligent speculation sets up. This, if you please, is curiosity in its highest and most intensified form; and it is a fundamental thing in the Westinghouse operations.

Research, as we know it, is the guiding hand upon the purely creative activities of business. Constantly it brings to light new aspects of known laws, new visions of laws yet to be uncovered. But the search for these is not haphazard nor whimsical; it is organized and planned as carefully and thoroughly as any other business activity. Whether chemical, electrical, or physical, it is engineering; and it follows engineering methods and tradition.

Many great engineers have been wholly at a loss in this specialized activity. For research, in a sense, reverses the usual order. Its endeavor is to discover unknown laws in the known facts—a thing which is quite at variance with ordinary engineering practice. Yet there is a fine type of engineering mind which finds its great opportunity in this kind of work. And to that type of mind, and that type of man, research beckons with an unmistakable hand. It is engineering pioneering, it blazes trails for progress, to new triumphs, in a wilderness into whose outskirts man has scarcely penetrated.

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ACHIEVEMENT & OPPORTUNITY

Sherwood Eddy Writes To Amphoterothern About Japan

Noted Lecturer and Student of World Problems Gives Interesting Account of Situation in the East.

The following communication received from Sherwood Eddy, who gave a series of lectures at the University last year, was written from Peking, China. While here last year Mr. Eddy was initiated into the Order of Amphoterothern, he being its first honorary member. The letter, which is addressed to the members of the order, explains itself. It reads as follows:

My dear fellow-members of Amphoterothern:

Instead of writing, I wish I could sit down and talk with you about the wonderful times we are having. Within a month we have been plunged into the new conditions of Japan, Korea, and China. I have been astonished by the growth of the rising liberal movement of the new Japan, the sturdy independence and new spirit of liberty in Korea, and the welter of graft and corruption in China, many of whose student leaders are now seething with radicalism and bolshevism.

After four years' absence, Japan seems like a new country. Her leaders have turned right about face since the Washington Conference which has cleared the air of all war clouds and misunderstanding in the Far East. We had interviews with everybody from the Premier down to the poverty-stricken people in the slums. The new premier, Baron Kato, is a fine, honest admiral who fought with Togo when he sank the Russian fleet; an expert responsible for Japan's naval expansion that placed his country among the ranking sea powers. In order to demonstrate his good faith in America, he gladly signed and is carrying out the provisions of a treaty which relegates his past work on the navy to the junk

pile. He is recalling the Japanese troops from the disputed areas in Siberia, Shantung, and Hankow. He impressed me as a sincere and fearless leader who will work consistently for peace and internationalism.

We had more interviews than I can remember with the liberal leaders of the Diet, the leading professors, Japanese pastors, missionaries, and Christian leaders. I was much impressed by the wonderful work of Kagawa, the brilliant young Japanese who was at Princeton when I was there six years ago. He is doing marvelous work for the laborers and for the people in the heart of the slums.

We had meetings for students and other young men in Tokyo, Osaka, Kobe, Kyoto, Moji, etc. I have never known such interest on the part of Japanese students both in international questions and in real religion. They are turning from their old materialism and doubt with a real heart hunger for a vital religious message. Our audiences in Japan did not rise over a thousand a night in the larger cities, as the colleges were not yet in session. But in Korea we spoke to audiences that ran from three to seven thousand a night. I will tell you about this in my next letter, and will send you a full report on the work in Japan.

This is just a little note to tell you that I have thought of you many times in recent weeks, and that I realize what a part you have had in making possible this tour. Already meetings in China have begun, and I will write about this in a later letter.

Ever yours,
SHERWOOD EDDY.

DEVEREUX PLAYERS STAGE SHAKESPEARE-SHAW BOUT

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But nevertheless there were very bright spots. John Osgood was superb as Mercutio and easily the most Shakespearean thing about the play. The audience regretted his death at the hands of Tybalt perhaps as much as did Romeo himself. Miss Graf as Juliet was beautiful and charming, and in the balcony scene quite wonderful. However, in her big scene in the last act she somehow missed fire. Clifford Devereux was handsome and dashing, but as the world's great lover was rather drab and spoke his lines with a lack of inspiration. He was much better in the last act than in the early part of the play. Edmund Forde was good as Benvolio but somewhat mechanical as the apothecary. Nanna Forbes gave a capable portrayal of the nurse and Lawrence Peterson was good as Friar Lawrence.

In "Arms and the Man" the whole cast seemed more at ease. Miss Graf, portraying the eternal feminine in the part of the hero-worshipping Raina Petkoff, was brilliant. She acted with a proper amount of fire and showed a nice sense of restraint. Clifford Devereux, as the materialistic Swiss mercenary, was very much better than as Romeo. However, in the wonderful comedy part of Captain Bluntschli, he did not make the most of his chances. He was very, very funny, but had he possessed a certain subtlety which was lacking from his acting he would have been infinitely more so. Edmund Forbes was adequate as Sergius but not too well cast in the part. He is essentially of a more sincerely dignified type than the vainglorious Sergius. Nicola, the eternally complacent subordinate, and Loua were well acted by J. B. Souther and Lillian Hatch, although Miss Hatch was not so good as she might have been in the role of the spirited servant girl. Lawrence Peter-

son was rather poor in his early appearances as Raina's father and quite pleasing in his later entrances; while Nanna Forbes, as his wife, was altogether miscast. John Osgood held the stage for but one fleeting moment, but long enough to cause one to wish that he had had a bigger part.

In the delightfully brief intermissions between acts, Mr. H. D. Meibe, accompanied by Mr. Hamilton, played several charming violin solos.

PRELIMINARIES FOR CHAIN OF SOUTHERN DEBATES ARE WARMLY CONTESTED

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boro, is a member of the Di, and one of last year's commencement orators. E. C. Hunt, the alternate, is president of the Di society.

The enlarged program of the debate council has been adopted with the definite intention of putting debating in its rightful place of importance at Carolina. In former years debating held a much more important position in campus attention here than it does now. In the days when every student belonged to one or the other of the literary societies, debating was the chief student activity. Then the fame of Carolina's debaters was nation-wide; they had the reputation of winning 70 per cent of all debates entered. Of late, Carolina's debating team programs have fallen short of their old reputation, and interest has lagged on the campus. The debate council is planning definitely now to bring to life again this old interest, and to re-win this old reputation, by a program that is worthy of Carolina and her debaters.

Professor Homer Hoyt, of the Economics Department, has volunteered to lend all the aid he can to the debaters in the selection of data, and the suggestion of salient points. In general, all over the campus renewed interest is being shown in debating, and great things are expected of the team.

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